



AustMS WIMSIG

Anne Penfold Street Awards

A potential major obstacle for academics when travelling for conferences or research visits is to ensure that their family responsibilities are taken care of while they are away. The Australian Mathematical Society *WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Awards* provide additional financial support to Australian mathematicians for their caring responsibilities, while they travel for conferences or research visits to collaborators, with approximately four Awards awarded annually. The potential uses of these Awards include, but are not limited to, short-term childcare or professional carers for elderly relatives. These Awards are open to people of any gender.

The WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Awards are funded by the Australian Mathematical Society and are an initiative of the AustMS Women in Mathematics Special Interest Group (WIMSIG), which administers them. Awards are determined on a competitive basis by a selection committee of distinguished mathematicians, appointed by the Executive Committee of WIMSIG.

There are two rounds of the Street Awards per year, with closing dates 1 April and 1 October each year. Applications, using the form overleaf and accompanied by a CV and other supporting documentation as detailed below, should be sent to the Selection Committee via the email address streetawards@austms.org.au.

The Award is named after Professor Anne Penfold Street AM (11 October 1932 – 28 December 2016), in recognition of her contributions to the advancement of knowledge across the broader mathematical community. Professor Street was appointed Professor of Mathematics at the University of Queensland in 1985. She was the third woman appointed to a mathematics professorship in Australia, after Hanna Neumann, ANU 1964, and Cheryl Praeger, UWA 1983. Her significant service to science education in the field of mathematics was recognised through her appointment as a member of the Order of Australia in 2014, and by the 1994 Bernhard H. Neumann Award for excellence in mathematics enrichment. She published over 100 journal articles and six research monographs and texts, mainly in discrete mathematics and combinatorics. Professor Street supervised 11 PhD and Research MSc students, including four women. She married Professor Norman Street and together they provided a strong family environment for their two children, Professor Deborah Street and Professor Anthony Street.

Rules of the WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Awards

1. The WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Awards scheme provides, to mathematicians working or studying in the mathematical sciences in Australia, full or partial financial support for their caring responsibilities while they travel for conferences or research visits to collaborators.
2. Eligibility: Applicants must either (a) hold a PhD (or equivalent) in the mathematical sciences and have a work address (or home address in the case of an applicant who is

not currently employed) in Australia, or (b) be studying in a PhD program in the mathematical sciences at an Australian university. They must also have been members of the Australian Mathematical Society for at least twelve months at the time of application. (Backdating of membership to the previous year is not sufficient.) Each applicant can receive at most one WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Award in any two-year period. Travel funding from other sources does not make an applicant ineligible.

3. Awards will be based on the benefit of the proposed travel to the applicant's research program, on whether the applicant will give a talk, and in the case of conference travel, also on the level of visibility of women at the conference. The Selection Committee reserves the right to consult with appropriate assessors.
4. Applications should be sent via email to streetawards@austms.org.au. Normally the application should be submitted at least six months in advance of an international trip, and three months before a domestic trip. Each year there will be two rounds of the selection process, with closing dates on 1 April and on 1 October.
5. Applications should consist of
 - (a) a current CV (at most three pages); and
 - (b) the completed application form, including an explanation (one to two paragraphs is enough) of the purpose of the proposed trip, how it will advance the applicant's research, the nature of the care that is required, and a budget stating the cost of this care (which may exceed the total amount that can be granted).
6. In the case of conference travel, the applicant should provide supporting documentation including where possible the URL of the conference website, a letter of invitation (email is sufficient), evidence of conference registration, and confirmation of submission of an abstract.
7. In the case of a research visit, the applicant should arrange for a letter of support from the person they will visit, and a CV for that person, to be sent directly to the Selection Committee, care of streetawards@austms.org.au, by 1 April or 1 October. The letter should confirm that the writer agrees to the applicant's visit, at the proposed travel time.
8. In applying for a WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Award, applicants agree that their names can be published on the website and in the journals of the Society. Award recipients agree to submit a brief report to the Society within one month of completion of the travel, and that this report may be published in whole or in part in the *Gazette of the Australian Mathematical Society* and on the website and in other journals of the Society.
9. The Selection Committee of the AustMS Women in Mathematics Special Interest Group will make recommendations to the Chair of the WIMSIG Executive Committee on the award of the WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Awards. The Selection Committee will recommend the amount to be granted, up to a maximum of \$750, to each successful applicant, taking account of the benefit of the proposed travel to the applicant's research program.
10. The Society expects to award annually four or more WIMSIG Anne Penfold Street Awards. From time to time, the Society may change the maximum amount of each award and the available funding for the scheme.

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CURRENT INSTITUTION OR EMPLOYER (OR HOME ADDRESS IF NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED)							
PHD: INSTITUTION AND YEAR (ACTUAL OR EXPECTED)							
<input type="checkbox"/> I declare that I am a current member of the AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY and that I have been a member for the last 12 months. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes/No: I will give a talk during the proposed trip. If yes, give the talk title. <input type="checkbox"/> I declare that the support requested is additional to normal caring costs. <input type="checkbox"/> I declare that, following enquiries, these caring costs cannot be obtained in full from my home institution nor from the conference/event organisers. <input type="checkbox"/> I agree that I will submit a report (at most one page) on my trip within one month of the completion of travel, to streetawards@austms.org.au .							
<p>TRAVEL PROPOSAL (At most one page, including references.) <i>Briefly describe the purpose of the proposed travel, and how it will advance your research. Outline the nature of the care required. If applying for conference travel, describe the expected visibility of women at the conference. See also the Advice for Applicants document.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Attach your Travel Proposal as a separate page.</p>							
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